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Title: LIGHT STIMULATING AND  
COLLECTING METHODS AND APPARATUS  
FOR STORAGE-PHOSPHOR IMAGE PLATES

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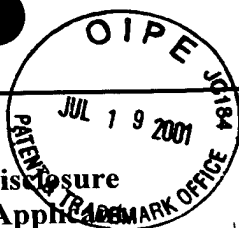
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	A4	4,236,168	11/25/80	Herbst	357	24	02/26/79
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